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Letter from William Stowe, Boston. Massachusetts,
to George S. Pratt, New York, New York, 1900
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Boston, Mass, December 27th 1900.

Rev. George S. Pratt,
Rector of the Church of the Archangel
New York, N. Y.

My dear Sir and Friend:-

Whitney Through our repeated conferences, it is well understood what my personal feelings are as a representative of the estate of the late Edward regarding the work which you have in hand looking to the construction of a new Church edifice and Guild House upon what I consider to be a very eligible selection of site in your parish territory, with which selection I have thoroughly familiarized myself on the spot and approve. You know that it has the warmest approval of all the representatives of Mr. Whitney, and our confident belief that he would approve the plan in which we propose to become assistants.

We have with much pleasure, already contributed toward said plan, \$15.775., of which the sum of \$13.750. has already been paid, the remaining \$2.025. to be paid and will be cared for as interest to that extent matures in mortgage loan now existing on the property you have secured.

In addition to this we desire to contribute an estimated further sum of \$30.000., which amount both you and ourselves have been led to believe will be sufficient to meet the entire cost of the Guild House part of your plan. This said amount we cannot at the moment pay, nor can we see our way to promise, definite, as to when we shall be able to pay, but we are willing to set apart from the remaining assets of the estate (which cannot at present be realized upon to sufficient advantage to justify sale,) what we deem ample to provide for an ultimate payment of the amount, and do so with the hope and expectation that there will be contributed from other sources, a similar amount or such sum as may be requisite for the completion of both Church and Guild House together with cost of the land, and all free of debt.

In addition to this there will go with our contribution our very best wishes for the movement which seems to promise such large advantage to those of your parish and its neighborhood, and also such other form of co-operation as we may be able to render.

Yours very truly,

Wm. E. Stowe

Ex. Estate of Edward Whitney.

I approve of the foregoing letter and all of its assurances.

Caroline A. Whitney

(Mrs. Edward Whitney
Executrix.